

# The University Senate of Michigan Technological University

## Minutes of Meeting 627

October 9, 2019

Senate minutes are time-indexed [in square brackets] to the relevant segments of the streaming video of the meeting.

### Synopsis:

- Presentations: none
- Unfinished Business:
  - a. Proposal 5-20: “[University Senate in New Employee Orientation](#)” Presented by Professional Staff Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)
  - b. Proposal 6-20: “[Supervisor Training for all Supervisors](#)” Presented by Professional Staff Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)
  - c. TABLED: Proposal 4-20: “[Recommendation: The School of Business and Economics requests to Transition to a College, ‘The College of Business’](#)”
- New Business:  
None

### 1. Call to Order

President Michael Mullins called the University Senate Meeting 627 to order at 5:30 PM on Wednesday October 9, 2019.

### 2. Roll Call of Senators and Recognition of Visitors [0:20-3:00]

The Senate Secretary Brian Barkdoll called roll. Absent were senators Loomis, Hazaveh, Vertanen, Cooke, Beffel, O’Kane, and Jones with no representatives from Army/Air Force ROTC, Kinesiology & Integrative Phy., Academic Services B and C, Auxiliaries, and Student Affairs & Advancement A or liaisons from Graduate Faculty Council, Staff Council, and Undergraduate Student Government. Visitors were: Bonnie Gorman (Dean of Students), Dean Johnson (School of Business), Jackie Huntoon (Provost’s Office), and Theresa Coleman-Kaiser (Administration).

### 3. Approval of Agenda [3:00-3:38]

The agenda was **passed** on a voice vote with no discussion or abstention.

### 4. Approval of Minutes from Meeting 626 [3:38-4:19]

The minutes were **passed** on a voice vote with no discussion or abstention.

## **5. Presentations [4:19-4:24]**

None.

## **6. President's Report [4:24-7:15]**

President Koubek agreed to talk to the Senate on 5-year plan for next Senate meeting.

Admin responded to Proposal 37-19; not able to do at this time.

Proposal 39-19 regarding benefits planning cmte was declined but administration will have alterative proposal.

Proposal 30-20 regarding name change to SFRES was approved.

## **7. Committee Reports [7:15-21:54]**

a. Academic and Instructional Policy –Carlos Amador: nothing to report

b. Administrative Policy – Mark Rudnicki: submit draft of Presidential evaluation by Christmas to Pres. Ready to send out in February

c. Curricular Policy – Jeff Burl: nobody willing to chair cmte.

d. Elections – Chair Robert Hutchinson: convened and Hutchinson is chair again. Academic Integrity Cmte election finished. Need 2 more nominations for Faculty Review Cmte. Grad Dean Search Cmte members now elected.

e. Finance and Institutional Planning – Mullins will convene.

f. Fringe Benefits –Sam Sweitz: nothing to report.

g. Information Technology –Yu Cai: nothing to report

h. Professional Staff Policy –Steve Knudstrup: 2 proposals coming up

i. Research Policy –Charles Kerfoot: working on textbook proposal

j. Ad Hoc Committee Reports

1. Committee on Senate Meeting Time and Length: Knudstrup solicited members.

2. Committee to review Policy on Quality of Online Courses (Proposal 12-19): Barkdoll gave overview and asked for members.

## **8. Unfinished Business [21:54-1:08:22]**

a. Proposal 5-20: “University Senate in New Employee Orientation” Presented by Professional Staff Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

Knudstrup gave overview. Proposal **PASSED** unanimously by voice vote without abstention.

b. Proposal 6-20: “Supervisor Training for all Supervisors” Presented by Professional Staff Policy Committee (Voting Units: All)

Knudstrup gave overview. Discussion ensued. Amendments were proposed. Amended text approved by hand vote. Motion made to table the proposal for cmte to add more details. Proposal **TABLED** unanimously by voice vote without abstention.

c. TABLED: Proposal 4-20: “Recommendation: The School of Business and Economics requests to Transition to a College, ‘The College of Business.’”

Motion untabled. Dean Johnson gave overview.  
Proposal **PASSED** by iClicker vote of 22 Yes and 5 No.

#### **9. New Business** [1:08:22-1:09:00]

None.

#### **10. Public Comments** [1:09:00-1:10:52]

Huntoon asked for Senate member for Library Director search cmte. Allred was made Senate member by unanimous acclimation.

#### **11. Adjournment**

President Mullins adjourned the meeting at 6:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Brian Barkdoll

Secretary of the University Senate